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LENT WEEK 4

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LITURGY THIS WEEK (Livestreamed at cliftoncathedral.org)

Sunday 19 th Mar, Fourth Sunday of Lent	Masses: 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.15am, 6pm
Monday 20 th Mar, St Joseph	Mass: 9.30am
Tuesday 21 st Mar, Weekday of Lent	Mass: 7.00pm
Wednesday 22 nd Mar, Weekday of Lent	Mass: 7.30am
Thursday 23 rd Mar, Weekday of Lent	Mass: 7.30am
Friday 24 th Mar, Weekday of Lent	Mass: 9.30am
Saturday 25 th Mar, The Annunciation of the Lord	Mass: 9.30am

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ACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSIONS): 10.00am Saturdays and by request at any time
(telephone 0117 9738411, or simply ask a priest before or after any Mass)

PRAYERS REQUESTED: For all who are unwell: David Bull, Edmund Richardson, Gabriele Green, Eliza James, Theresa Johnston, Jonathan Freeman, Barbara Freeman, Valentina Kelemenova, Nick Lee, Dinah McAlees, Linda Sheppard, Patricia Sheppard, Kate Cullen, Mary Burke, Amy Mackenzie, Margaret Meech, Bridie O’Sullivan, Jerome Farrell, Valerie Donkin, Dave Fry, Peter Melton, Jessica Cox, Mario Toffolo, Sue Wright, Nic Dunn, Sheila Birtchnell .

For those who died recently: Mary Tracey RIP.

And for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Mary Mathieson, Dennis Goldsworthy, Tony Daws, Esther Forte, Phyllis Gallop, Shaun Holman, Nikki Carlton, Elizabeth Creamer RIP.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Please ensure that any items for inclusion in the newsletter are sent in by noon on the Wednesday preceding publication . Note that all items received may be edited for space and consistency.

FINANCE: Last week’s offertory collection came to £731.00 with £780.12 online - thank you for your generous support of the Cathedral parish.

4th SUNDAY OF LENT: *Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam. So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored.* (John 9: 7)

All he knew was that he was blind but now he could see. It was God who restored the blind man's sight. We cannot demand eyes of faith, we cannot earn the gift. Today, on our journey through Lent, we thank God for letting us see and understand so much that otherwise would not make sense. We thank God for that second sight which is faith.

LAETARE SUNDAY: The Fourth Sunday of Lent is also known as Laetare Sunday. This is a day of relaxation from normal Lenten rigours, a day of hope with Easter at last within sight. It is also the day that is traditionally celebrated as Mothering Sunday. We send our best wishes to all mothers and mother-to-be on this special day.

CONFIRMATION 2023: Preparation for Confirmation began on Tuesday 14th March with Mass at 7pm. Seventeen young people and four adults have enrolled and will continue to meet together weekly until the end of May. They will be confirmed by Bishop Declan at the 6pm Mass on Pentecost Sunday. Please keep them all in your prayers.

CATHEDRAL YOUNG ADULTS GROUP : A big thank you to all those who attended the supper last Sunday which turned out to be a very happy gathering. It was wonderful to hear that you are all keen to form a Young Adults Group at the Cathedral. Further details to follow - join us next time if you missed it on this occasion!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Here at the Cathedral throughout Lent we pray the Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays at 7pm. Please come and join us in walking the way of sorrows with the Lord in preparation to Easter.

BABY AND TODDLER GROUP: Is gathering in the Apostle Room on Thursday mornings from 9:30am till 11:30am. Please bring your little ones to meet old friends and to make new ones. Mums, dads, grannies and grandads, not excluding nannies – all welcome!

LOVE THE STRANGER: Bishops' Conference's new publication places the human being at the heart of our pastoral outreach, looking beyond statistics and policies to the person – each with a name, a face and a story. The document offers 24 guiding principles and has been endorsed by the Holy See, COMECE, CAFOD, CSAN and Caritas Social Action Network members. Full text is available from cbcew.org.uk/love-the-stranger or Cathedral House.

LENTEN RETREAT: There are still a few places remaining for a day retreat on Tue 21st March to Brownhill Monastery, Stroud – transport provided leaving the Cathedral at 9am and returning at 6pm. Canon Bosco will offer Mass with us and there will also be guided prayer and meditation sessions, midday prayers, quiet time, a hot lunch and refreshments. The cost is £48 p/p including transport. For more information and to book, please contact Cathedral House Mon-Fri 9am-1pm tel. 0117 9738411. or call Robert on 07767 706 163.

CHORAL MEDITATION DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: Passiontide Meditation Sunday 2nd April (Palm Sunday) – at 7.15pm; Leighton and Tallis Lamentations on Monday 3rd April and Wednesday 5th April – both at 8.00pm to 8.30pm. Contemporary Music Celebration Concert with Cathedral Choir and friends Sunday 30th April at 7.30pm.

CHRISTIANS IN SCIENCE: From Academic to Entrepreneur- Lessons in the Evolution of Technology, Speaker: Dr Roger Tucker. Dr R Tucker will talk about his scientific research, primarily many different aspects of speech technology, like note-taking software for students with dyslexia, but also provide some reflections on how his faith and his science interact. Fri 24th March 7.30pm (tea, coffee and biscuits from 7pm) at Victoria Methodist Church (1A Whiteladies Rd, Bristol BS8 1NU).

DEMENTIA PRAYER WEEK: Please remember in your prayers those suffering with dementia and those who care for them: Lord, thank you for your presence in this moment, holding us in your love. Help us to share your love with those who live among us with dementia, that we may see your beauty in them. Amen

A TIME OF PRAYER FOR HEALING: The Well Centre for Spirituality, 38 Church Road, Westbury-on-Trym, BS9 3EQ is one of our Cathedral Parish Projects, and welcomes groups and individuals, for quiet prayer, for retreats, and for special events Prayer for healing on the second Tuesday of each month. The next will be on Tuesday 21st March, from 7.15pm. Using an Iona-style format, we come together to pray for healing for those who have asked for our prayers, for the world and for ourselves. Prayer petitions may be sent to the warden to be added to those at The Well. All are welcome. More information on 0117 9502742 or at warden@thewellcentreforspirituality.org.uk.